

Case F-15/03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of : August 8, 2003

Walter NOWAK et al. : Group Art Unit:

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For: FIBER TRANSMISSION ELEMENT FOR

GENERATING A CHROMATIC DISPERSION

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The current attorney of record in the above-identified application recently received a Notification of Defective Response mailed on April 29, 2003, copy of which is attached herewith, in connection with a Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on October 30, 2001. Review of applicants' case file showed that a complete response to the Notification of Missing Requirements was timely filed on January 29, 2002, with the following documents, copies of which are attached:

- 1. Transmittal Letter;
- 2. Response to Notification of Missing Requirements;

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- 3. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 4. Request for Extension of Time;
- Notification of Missing Requirements mailed October 30, 2001;
- 6. Check in the amount of \$510.00; and
- 7. Return postcard.

A return postcard was received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, indicating that the papers filed, including the declaration, were physically received on February 13, 2002. A copy of the postcard is attached herewith.

Also attached herewith are an Associate Power of Attorney in favor of the undersigned and another Associate Power of Attorney mailed on July 17, 2003 and received by the Office on July 21, 2003.

In view of the above, it is asserted that the declaration required by the Notification of Defective Response has in fact been received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Accordingly, the notification should be withdrawn.

Please direct all future correspondence to:

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It is believed that no fee is due; however should this be incorrect, please debit our Deposit Account No. 19-2105 and inform the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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